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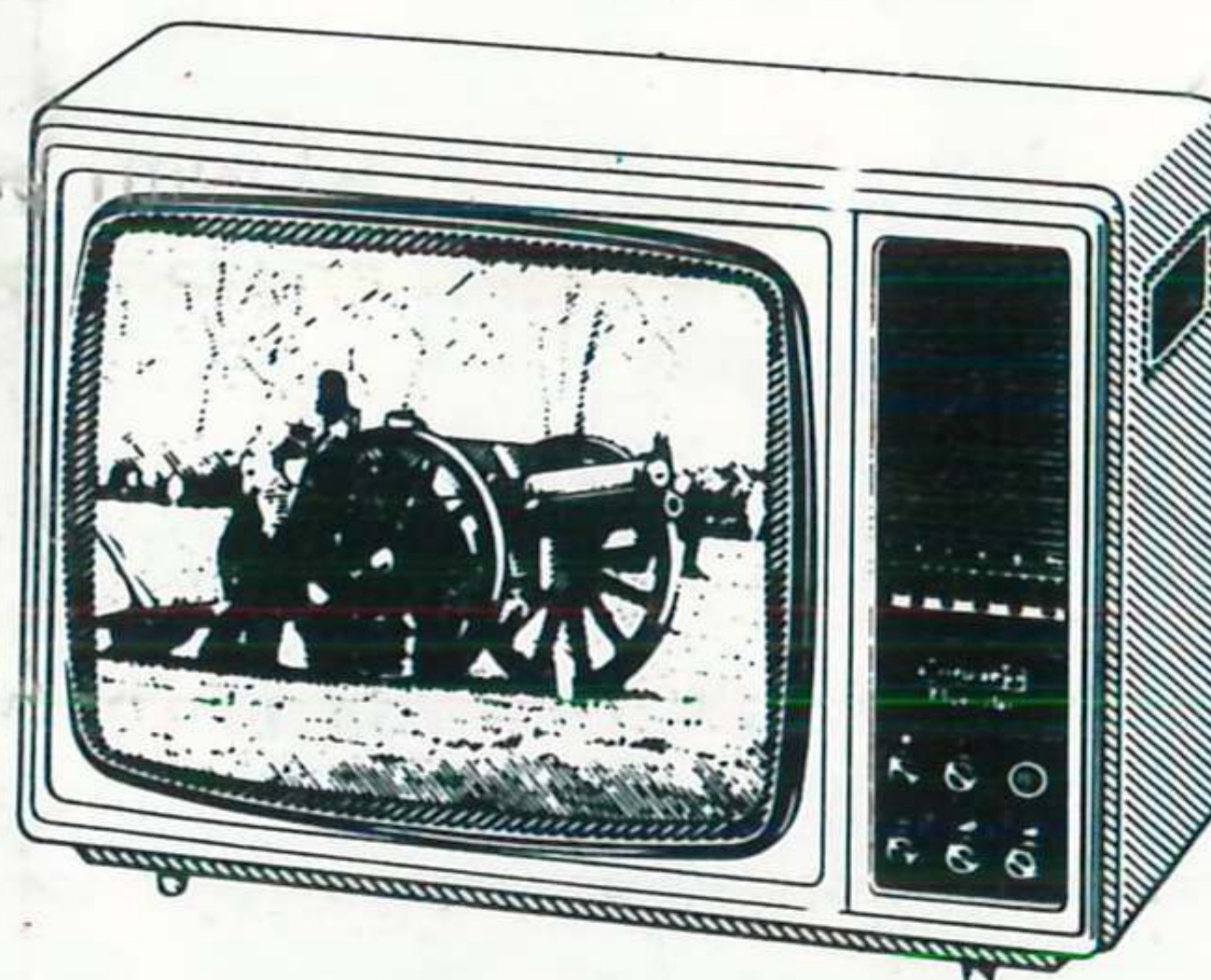
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Stan Anderson writes

WE WERE obviously delighted with our win at Shrewsbury the other week, bringing to an end that lengthy run of games without an away win in the League.

But we suffered the sickening blow of losing Dusan Nikolic with a knee injury which put him out for three matches at least.

It's sad really but that's one of the heart-breaking sides to football. You wait and wait to sign a player, go through the complex procedure of getting the necessary work permits and then fate strikes and he's injured.

It hurts but you've got to live with these things in football.

However in the two games Dusan played, he showed just how good a player he is and there is no doubt that in the next three years he is going to be a big influence in the fortunes of Bolton Wanderers.

But signing a foreign player has its own special problems. Things never go quite so smoothly as when you buy an English player.

He has to get used to life in this country to start with and there are the obvious language problems, although on the field that really doesn't matter too much.

But when you are faced with problems concerning accommodation for instance, you can appreciate that it is a difficult time for all concerned.

It's a harrowing time for us all but particularly Dusan, who after all still has to go out and perform to his best ability. The next four or five weeks are going to be a trying time for him.

Mind you he's a very placid lad and simply gets down to the job with no fuss. He'll be here for the next three years and he'll be a big influence.

The powers that be might not agree with the influx of foreign players coming into this country but I point to two factors to back my argument.

A. The rising transfer fees in this country.

B. The number of English players moving onto the continent or the States.

When so many English players are going elsewhere there is a limit to what you can do on the home market.

But from our point of view, we would always prefer to get the players we want from England. That is not always possible though.

Our Visits



PRESTON LACK PUNCH AWAY FROM HOME

Preston made a most disappointing start to the season and at the moment the possibility that they could return to the Third Division they last left two years ago is very real. Manager Nobby Stiles showed that he is ready to act swiftly if results don't quickly improve and he has already been busy in the transfer market with the purchase of Welsh international winger Peter Sayer from Brighton.

Away form has been particularly disastrous and, unless they managed to win at Wrexham on Saturday, Preston will come to Burnden Park without an away League win to their credit this season. Their attack has shown a complete lack of punch, as is revealed in the fact that they netted only twice in their opening five away League outings.

After drawing at Grimsby (0-0), Preston were beaten at Sheffield Wednesday (0-3) and Watford (1-2). They took a good point from Chelsea (1-1) but then crashed when they returned to London to play Orient (0-4).

Their only win in their first nine League games, home or away, was against Cambridge (2-0) at Deepdale in early September.

It is understandable why Mr Stiles has been switching his side around. He sold one winger, Eric Potts, to Burnley for £20,000 and then invested £85,000 in another — Peter Sayer. Sayer has been used in attack with Paul McGee and Steve Elliott and this has meant that there has not always been a place for former top scorer Alex Bruce.

Francis Burns, Graham Bell and Gordon Coleman opened the

The Lilywhites

campaign in midfield but Steve Doyle later came in for the veteran Burns.

The back four has undergone constant change. Mick Baxter and Donald O'Riordan were beginning to look more settled in the middle of the defence, but John Blackley is still pressing strongly for a place. And two young full-backs have been challenging the established pair of Brian Wilson and Danny Cameron. Simon Westwell and Andy McAteer have both been given a chance as flank defenders.

Roy Tunks seems to be the indestructible in defence and he soldiers on in goal in face of all kinds of adversity.

In spite of their lack of success in the League, Preston are still in the League Cup. They were blessed with comparatively easy draws in the early rounds, defeating Wigan Athletic 3-1 on aggregate in round two and Oxford (1-0) at Deepdale at the next stage.

Their next challenge proved a more serious test. Preston next week travel to The Hawthorns to face West Bromwich Albion. If they should pull off a surprise win, Preston would smash a new club record in the League Cup. They have yet to survive to the fifth round.

It's now almost 20 years since Preston last played in the First Division. They have rarely looked like regaining their place at the top over the past couple of decades and the intervening years have seen them drop into the Third Division on two occasions.

They tasted Third Division play for the first time in 1970 but

fortunately, on that occasion, they returned to the higher section at the first attempt. When they went down again in 1974 it took them four years to get back again.

Nobby Stiles took over as manager in July 1977, succeeding Harry Catterick, while they were still in the Third Division and he led them to promotion at the end of his first season in command. He could have been in the Deepdale managerial chair much earlier, having been offered the post following the resignation of Bobby Charlton. But he didn't feel the time was right on that occasion.

His moment came in 1977, though, and after putting the club back into the Second Division he made the First Division his objective. Last season they were on several occasions on the fringe of the promotion challenge.

Until losing their final game, Preston enjoyed a fine run of 12 unbeaten matches but they could not quite close the gap between them and the leaders in a very close race. They finally finished tenth.

With that experience behind them, this season was awaited with some optimism. But, as they say, football is a funny game. And, without any apparent reason, Preston failed to pick up where they left off and they now find themselves with a very different fight on their hands.

Fortunately, there is still plenty of time to right the situation.

ROY TUNKS (Goalkeeper) Roy has scarcely missed a game in the six years since he joined Preston from Rotherham United. He made his League debut for Rotherham in 1967-68 and while with them spent loan spells at York, Ipswich and Newcastle. He is now coming up to his 400th appearance in League soccer.

BRIAN TAYLOR (Defender) Brian was a reserve player with his first club, Coventry City. While with them he was loaned to Oxford and Northampton but it wasn't until he had joined Walsall in 1971 that he made his bow in League soccer. He was a Saddlers' regular for six years until moving to Plymouth in 1977. Preston signed him a year later.

MICK BAXTER (Defender) Mick developed in the juniors sides at Deepdale and came through for his first League appearance in 1975. He has been holding one of the centre-back positions for the past five years.

DONALD O'RIORDAN (Defender) Donald served his apprenticeship with Derby but got only six games in their First Division side. He joined Tulsa Roughnecks in 1978 but returned at the end of that summer to sign for Preston.

JOHN BLACKLEY (Defender) John won seven full caps for Scotland during his eight-year spell as a Hibernian first-teamer. He also gained under-23 honours. He entered English football with Newcastle in 1978 and he moved on to Preston during the 1979 close-season.

DANNY CAMERON (Defender) Danny began his professional career with Sheffield Wednesday and he made 31 League appearances for the Owls. He also played on loan for Colchester and in 1976 he was transferred to Preston.

GRAHAM BELL (Midfield) Graham is a former England youth international who came into early prominence after being introduced to Oldham's League eleven in 1974. Preston signed him for £80,000 two seasons ago.

GORDON COLEMAN (Midfield) Gordon is a product of the Preston nursery and he made his first League appearances for them during 1973-74. He has now made more than 200 League appearances for them and he has emerged this season as quite a regular goalscorer, with four before the weekend.

STEVE DOYLE (Midfield) Another Preston discovery, Steve has been in the first-team since 1974-75.

FRANCIS BURNS (Midfield) Francis won full and under-23 caps for Scotland during his Manchester United days. He was a United first-teamer for five years until going to Southampton for £50,000 in 1972. He didn't settle in the south and was pleased to sign for Preston for £40,000 a year later.

GRAHAM HOUSTON (Midfield) Prior to this season Graham had made only one brief appearance in Preston's League side as substitute. This season he has been given several runs in midfield.

PAUL McGEE (Forward) Paul was Preston's leading scorer with four goals prior to the weekend. He was transferred from Sligo Rovers to Q.P.R. for a fee of about £25,000 in 1977 and joined Preston last season. Paul has been capped on 15 occasions for the Republic of Ireland.

STEVE ELLIOTT (Forward) Preston paid a club record £95,000 to sign Steve from Nottingham Forest in 1979, even though he had made only four appearances in Forest's League eleven. He has come up trumps at Deepdale, however, for last season he was their top scorer with 16 goals. He had scored three times this term before the weekend.

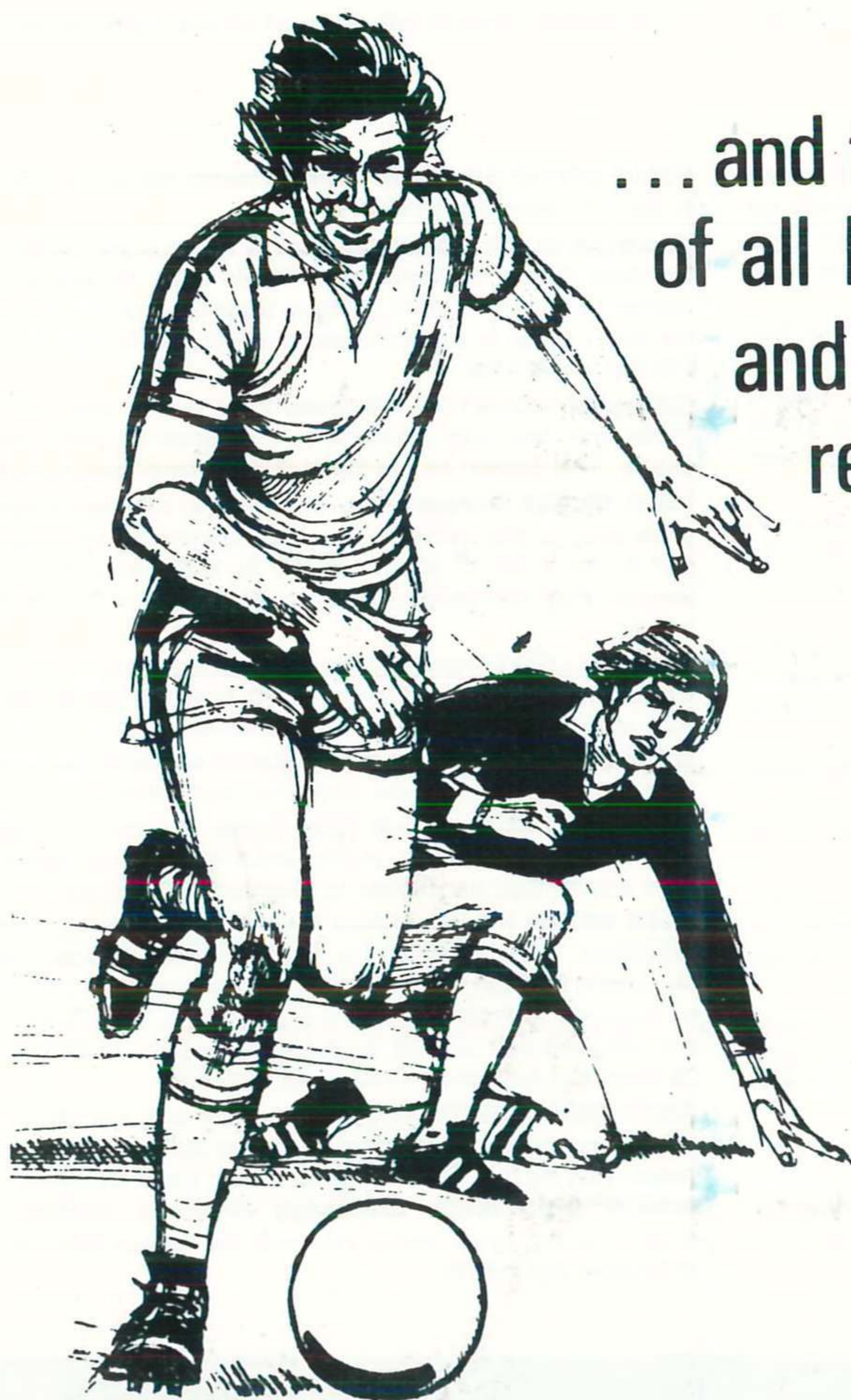
PETER SAYER (Forward) Peter joined Preston from Brighton for £85,000 a few weeks ago. In his Cardiff days he won seven full Welsh caps and he was transferred to Brighton for £100,000 in 1978.

ALEX BRUCE (Forward) Alex has been Preston's top scorer on four occasions. After doing so for a second time, he was transferred to Newcastle for £150,000 in 1974 but he didn't settle at St James Park so he returned to Preston about a year later. In 1976-77 he hit 26 goals and followed that with 29 the following season. In 1978-79 he scored 26 times but last term he managed only ten.

ANDY McATEER (Defender) Andy took over the left-back position after being introduced to the first-team during the later part of last season and he has been in the back four again this term.

SIMON WESTWELL (Defender) Simon is another successful product of the junior teams. He made his League debut at right-back at Chelsea last month.

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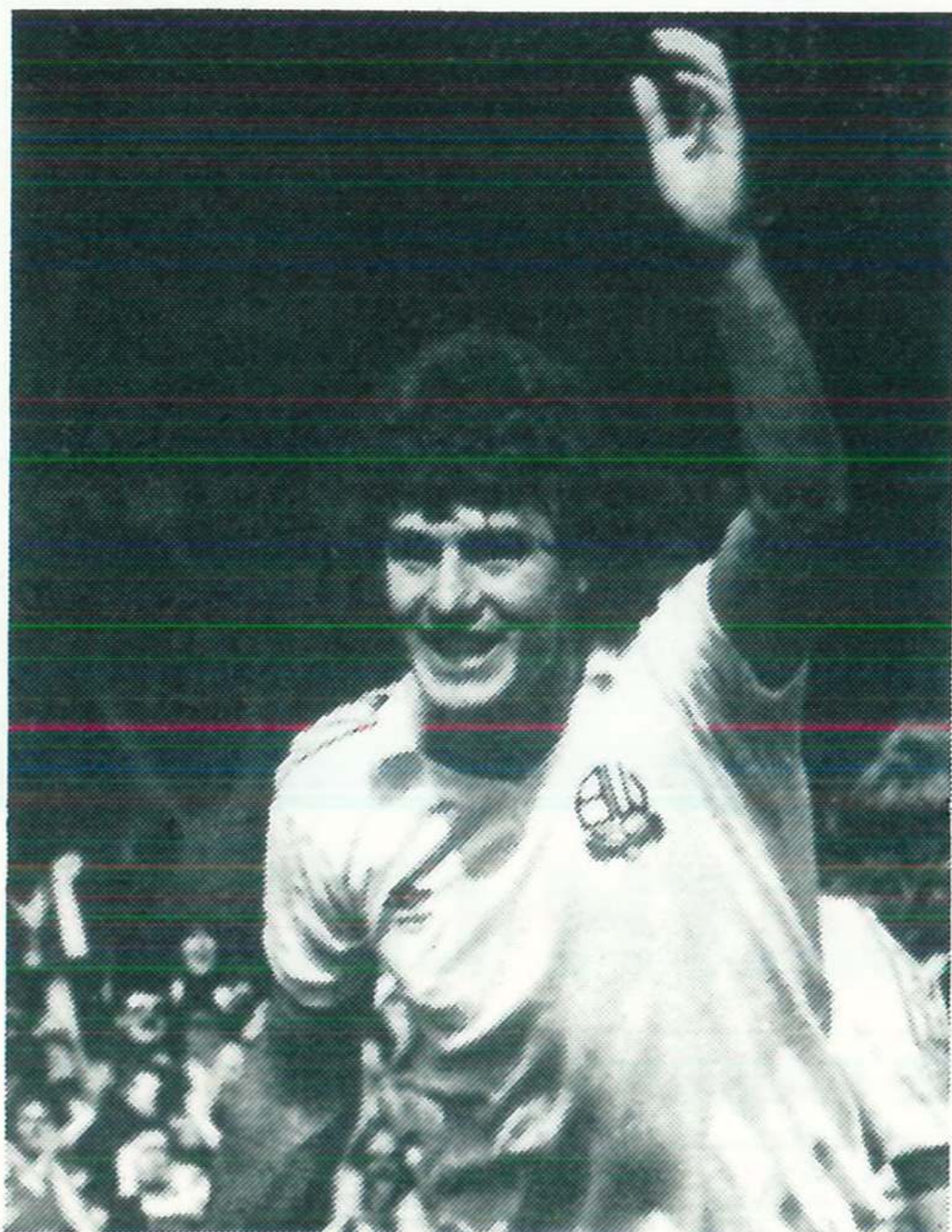
CAN YOU HELP?

From time to time the club relies on local people to help out with offers of accommodation for the younger players who join the Burnden Park staff.

If you have a flat or digs which you think would be suitable for one of our younger players, please contact the club with the details.

VIP WAYNE

Junior Whites member Wayne Lloyd of Worsley, who won the recent Brian Kidd competition published in an earlier programme, had an extra special treat on Saturday.



Wayne and his father attended the home game against Bristol City as Brian's special guests, with seats in the stand and the VIP treatment.

YOUTH CUP SUCCESS

Wanderers' Youth team progressed to the next round of the Lancashire FA Youth Cup with a 1-0 win against Preston Youth at Deepdale last week.

Barry Taylor got the only goal of the game in the first-half and apart from a late chace which Preston squandered, Wanderers always looked in command.

Coach Walter Joyce praised an all-round team effort but had particular praise for the back four and the attack.

MIKE WITH ENGLAND SQUAD

Wanderers' starlet Mike Bennett was at Lilleshall National Sports Centre last week for a training stint with the England Youth squad.

Mike, who skippered England in a recent Youth tournament in Yugoslavia, has his sights on a place in the side for the European Championship clash with Northern Ireland in December.

Still only 17, and with first team experience behind him, Mike had a successful tournament, playing in each of England's four games. England won two of their three group matches, progressing to the final where they lost 2-1 to Hungary.



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VIOLENCE

AN INDICTMENT ON BRITAIN

The ugly face of soccer violence raised itself once more when Sheffield Wednesday followers rioted at Boundary Park. Such degrading exhibitions bring the inevitable response from government ministers and other officials who demand that football puts its house in order.

How naive can such people be? Surely by now it has been realised that this is a problem of our society that manifests itself at football grounds because such places are ideal for clanish warfare.

There is certainly a touch of atavism about the whole thing and while it is probably correct to suggest that club administrators do sometimes need reminding to keep on top, there is little more that the clubs can physically do to combat the hooliganism.

The riot in Turin last June, that so sadly stained our pride and overshadowed the football of the European Championships, was just another chapter in the black book.

The national papers were full of colourful copy about that event, some of it highly exaggerated, some of it emotional rather than objective. The frightening aspect about that whole affair, was the sinister undertone, the almost insular attitude adopted by some officials and reporters. That was a far more ominous sign than the diabolical outrage perpetrated on the Italian people.

It was openly suggested that the trouble would not have developed in England. Half-a-dozen Bobbies would have sorted it out.

NONSENSE

The same attitude was adopted by Ted Croker, the Secretary of the F.A., who when announcing the UEFA disciplinary committee's findings, commented that the sad thing about the whole incident was the fact that it came at a time when England's reputation for hooliganism was taking a progressive step forward.

Nonsense! The latent violence and endless search for a chance to prove physical superiority over other animals, has not disappeared from the British terraces. The psychopathic packs of thugs have continued to roam free to spread mayhem in their wake. The fact is, that authority in the guise of the police has proved strong enough to contain the rampaging idiots who are driving decent fans away from the game in droves.

Certainly to suggest that the cancer is being cured is detaching oneself from the truth, Just as much as one M.P.'s claim that the blame should be attributed to the players.

RESPONSIBILITY

The people of Britain must not remain insular to this mammoth social problem that threatens to kill the game of football as a spectator sport. Britain has produced a restless disenchanted and violent society. What happened in Turin and Oldham is a grave indictment on our educational and social structures. The fingers of retribution should be pointed at those who have fashioned our way of life, the politicians and civil servants who over successive years have guided us to this end.

Football authorities certainly cannot handle it. They do not possess the power or the authority. And let's not be blind to the fact that if it did not happen at football matches, then the violence would be directed to some other area of our society.

The situation has been getting worse for at least ten years and there is no doubt that we are the worst in Europe. If those in authority continue to ignore their responsibility's there is no knowing where it will all end.

COLIN BENSON





Golden Gates

Providing Eric Gates maintains his first team place over the opening months of the season, he will make his 100th Football League appearance for Ipswich Town at White Hart Lane.

That milestone comes only weeks after the 5' 6" striker had made his debut for England in the World Cup qualifying competition at Wembley.

"I was over the moon, it was magic," says Eric referring to his selection by Ron Greenwood. "It came as a great surprise to be named in the team to play Norway, because it was the first time I had ever been included in the squad.

"I made it the hard way, without coming through the Under 21's or the B team. It was straight in and that was a great bonus for me after not being thought of for so long."

Had he given up all hopes of playing for his country?

"No. I always thought that I would play, even last year I felt I could get into the 'B' squad, but it did not happen.

SURPRISE

"That is why when I was selected for the squad to play Norway, my immediate reaction was one of surprise. I had thought that it would take a few months of First Division football to stake my claim and that if Ipswich were doing well and I was scoring then I might get into the 'B' side.

"To be called up for the first game was a total surprise, although in the back of my mind I knew I could do it."

Announcing his selection, England team boss Ron Greenwood said that he had included Eric to replace the injured Kevin Keegan, as he was a similar type of player. Had Eric ever consciously tried to model his game on Keegan's style?

"No," was the firm reply. "I have never modelled myself on anyone. I just play it off the cuff. If I play badly it is me. If I play well it is me, Eric Gates.

"I consider myself as a forward. My best role is anywhere around the penalty box. Just give me the ball in that position and I will score or make a goal. If I am doing that I am playing well. That is what the boss has got me for and he gives me a free role to do what I want.

FIRST TIME

"There is no secret knack to my game. I have

always scored goals, right through the youth team, the reserves and now the first team. Up until last season I was scoring 10-15 goals a season but most of them were from inside the box.

"Last season out of the 13 I scored, I think ten were from outside the area and some of them were pretty spectacular. I don't know why this is, I can't put my finger on it.

"We do a lot of first time shooting at Ipswich and we are encouraged to hit balls layed off outside the box, first time. But why they should go in last season I just don't know.

"I said to somebody who interviewed me at the start of this season that I would not have a better season than I did last year. I only hope I score 13 goals again, which I think I will, but they won't be such good goals. If I have another season like that I will be very lucky, it was unbelievable.

"Of course in the long run it does not matter whether they are spectacular goals or not, as long as they count. But dramatic goals do boost your ego.

"I like to score and I get a bit down if I don't finish, even if we have won the game, but I suppose that is only natural.

"One of the people who has helped me enormously at Ipswich is coach Bob Ferguson. He joined the club the same year as me and we worked together in the youth team and then the Reserve side.

"It helped me a lot when he was promoted to the first team because he has encouraged me so much and he gets the lads working to my strengths. This is important as I am a bit of a lazy player.

"I would like to work a lot harder than I do. Generally I feel I should be a stronger runner and do a lot more for the team than I do. But I am working on it."

As far as Ron Greenwood was concerned he had no reservations about Eric's first international performance, as he disclosed after the game: "You get more opportunity in international football to run with the ball and Eric did that admirably tonight," he said.

It would certainly appear that at the age of 25, the golden gates of football are opening to the Ipswich star.

The start of a new 'Centrespot' series
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in which he analyses the men
who could make a big impact in
the World Cup '82.

Michel Platini

(St Etienne and France)



The next World Cup Finals with 24 teams participating will be the biggest football jamboree of all time. There will be 14 teams from Europe, four from South America and two each from Central America, Africa and Asia.

The qualifying competition to reach this Mecca of football is in full flight, and I have no doubt that some strange-sounding names will make their debuts in the international arena. The teams will parade some outstanding individuals in the Finals, some of them will be at their best, others might slightly disappoint the neutral observer.

But we can be sure that there will be several players who will capture the vast television public's imagination, the same way that the great Pele mesmerized us all during the never-to-be-forgotten 1970 series in Mexico.

Four years later, Johan Cruyff, Beckenbauer and Muller were the individuals with the biggest crowd appeal, and during the World Cup Finals in Argentina, it was Mario Kempes whose name was on everybody's lips.

These are early days yet, but gazing into my crystal ball, I can see a host of players who might grab the headlines during Spain 1982.

These players — providing their countries qualify — have that extra dimension which creates excitement every time they get the ball, and their sheer presence is able to dominate a match.

One of the likely stars of the next World Cup Finals should be Michel Platini of St. Etienne and France.

The French are undoubtedly back on the European football map, and this is due in no small measure to the emergence of several outstanding players.

The name of Platini must go on top of this select list as the brightest of their stars.

By the age of 21, he had collected nearly a dozen international caps, and wealthy Spanish club, Valencia, put in a substantial bid for him. At that time, Platini played for the unfashionable club, Nancy. But he still refused to leave, and when his contract expired, he spurned an even bigger offer from Inter-Milan, and signed for local French club St. Etienne.

Platini, who is now 24, said: "We have a great opportunity to reach the World Cup Finals, I wouldn't dream of deserting my country before this mission is accomplished. I love football, and I am overjoyed that it has become France's No. 1 sport ahead of cycling and rugby".

Platini's development was always carefully watched by his father, Aldo, who is in charge of two amateur clubs at Nancy. Michel, whose marriage was a national occasion, drives a modest car, and doesn't allow his picture to be taken with any of the several female fans who persistently wait for him outside his house and at the training ground.

A born goal-scorer Platini is a ball-artist. He made his debut for France against Czechoslovakia on March 27, 1976, and scored.

Then he kept on scoring for club and country consistently, and finished last season as the best native-born goal-ace in the League.

He has modelled his game unashamedly on Johan Cruyff, playing as an unorthodox centre-forward. He also has the ability to accelerate past dumbfounded opponents, to change pace, to dwell on the ball if necessary, then release it with visionary accuracy.

But he is more selfish than the ageing Dutch master, in the best sense of the word. At the slightest opportunity, Platini goes for goal, and his finishing is devastating, clinical and unerring.

More consistent than his greatest local rival, Rocheteau, Platini is deservedly one of the biggest names in international football.

Ian Porterfield - the miracle man

Down amongst the factory chimneys and the blast furnaces of industrial South Yorkshire, a young Scot is forging a team together, that he hopes will eventually be as strong as the steel that is produced in that area.

Ian Porterfield is the name, Rotherham United the club, and under new Chairman Anton Johnson they are striving to create a new image and stake a claim as a progressive organisation.

"I came to Rotherham because I felt it was a good challenge, a good opportunity," says Porterfield who joined the club last season after 2½ years at Sheffield Wednesday.

He continues: "There is a lot of potential within the club and we have a good nucleus of young players and I think we have the foundation to produce a very good side.

"When the job was vacant I looked at it and suggested to Wednesday boss Jack Charlton that I would like to apply and he agreed to help me.

"Obviously management is a new role for me, but I have had a good grounding as a coach and I feel that I have got here gradually.

SURVIVAL

"The football side has been no problem at all, it has just been a little more difficult grasping the other side of management, but I am learning every day.

"As far as the every day running of the club there is no difficulty. But I must say that I get more satisfaction being up at the training ground and working with the players. I don't think any of us like sitting at a desk, but you have to accept that it is part of the job.

"When I came here first, Barry Claxton the trainer was running everything on his own. He was looking after the first team, the reserves and the youth team. We have changed all that.

"Last season it was a case of just trying to stabilize things after the upheaval of a new regime taking over. It was a battle for survival. Now I feel we are ready to build the next stage. We have stepped up a little bit and introduced four new players and I think that has improved the side and we can develop further from this."

The new arrivals are Tony Towner and John Seasman from Millwall, Ronnie Moore from Cardiff City and Jimmy Mullen from Sheffield Wednesday. "They are good additions and when we blend together consistently we will be a good side," adds Porterfield.

NEW REGIME

"Now we have a new Chairman who has stated that there is plenty of money available. He wants to change the image of the club and that gives me an opportunity to look for better things. But at the end of the day what matters most, is what develops on the field of play.

"We have a good attitude within the playing strength and we can only improve. We like to blend youth with experience and we have got a lot of skill in our side, but we need to be patient.

"There is still a lot of improvement needed and this will only come through time and hard work. I am a great believer in hard work.



"It will take time, as we are gradually changing the pattern of play. You see the fact is you don't have systems and then make-players fit into them. The system has to suit your players, and now that we have changed the personnel it is a case of tailoring our game to the new formation.

EARN

"Although we have good players, we still have to earn the right to play. You can not demand the right. We can say we are going to do this and that, but it is no good talking about it. We have got to prove it on the grass and that is where we have to be positive and have the correct approach.

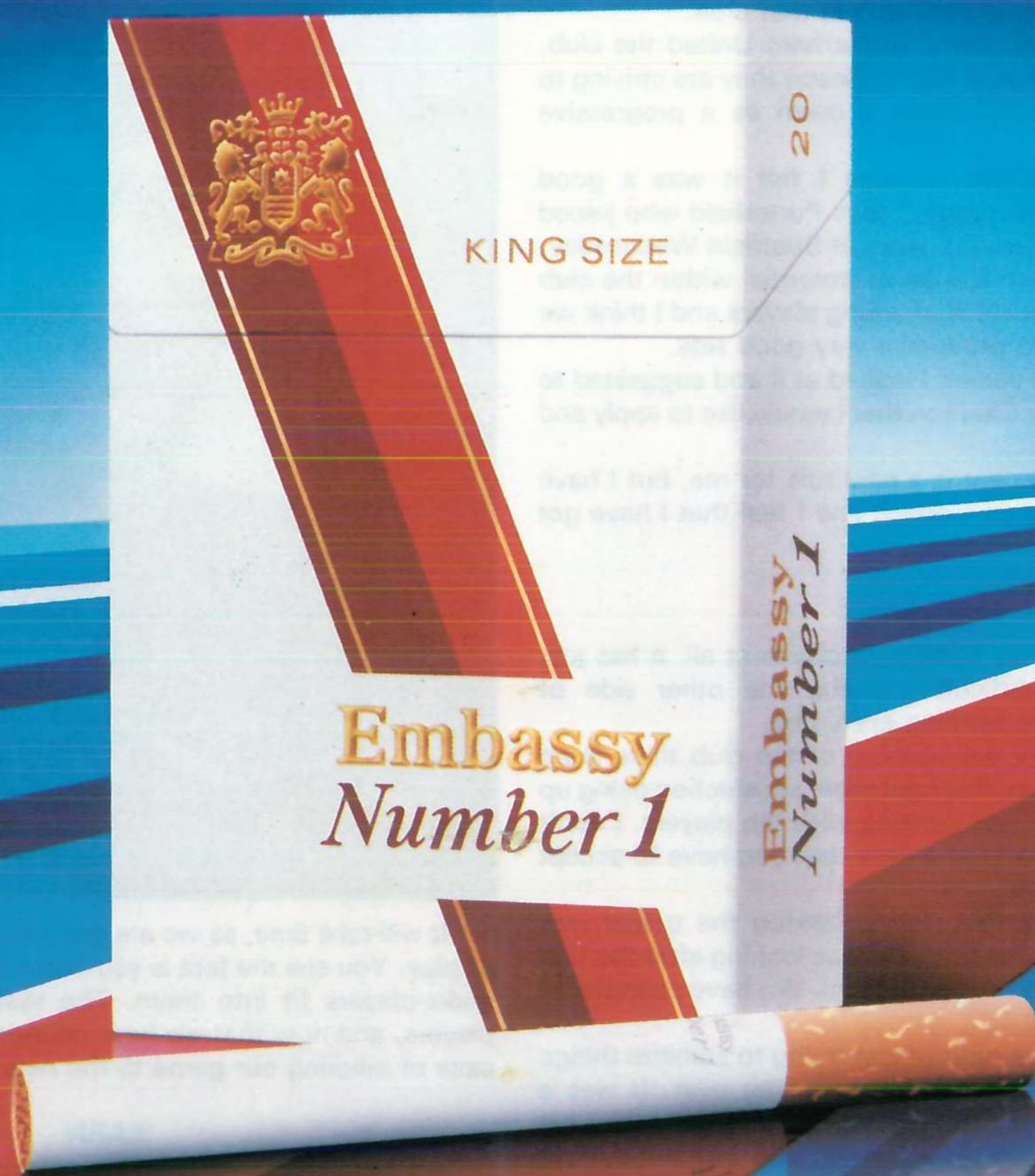
"Having said that, I feel that we have achieved that in the club and I am happy with the attitude of most individuals here. We have got a lot going for us at the moment."

The Rotherham fans are just thirsting for success and with the two Sheffield giants, United and Wednesday, experiencing a lapse in their glorious traditions just now, it seems an opportune time for Rotherham to stake their claim for recognition.

Ian Porterfield is certainly seen as the man to lead them to the promised land. And who better? For those who scoff at suggestions that Rotherham will one day take their place in the First Division, comes the factual reminder that Ian has already performed one miracle.

Remember Ian's magic goal which gave Second Division Sunderland an F.A. Cup Final victory over then mighty Leeds. Having achieved the impossible once, Ian Porterfield's current brief does not seem so far from reach.

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I have mentioned before that one of the strong points about my own individual play is my ability to read the game. By that I mean that I can see what is going to develop from situation in the pattern of play and therefore can be ready to counteract the opposition or press home our own advantage.

This is not something that I have been taught and I do not consciously think about it during the course of a game. It is just a natural thing that I do automatically.

You can improve skill, you can improve tackling, passing, first touch of the ball, heading, volleying and all the physical techniques of the game. But you can not teach anybody to read the game, it is a natural ability that you either have or you have not got.

In our last article I talked about skill and people still ask me if there is a lack of it in the English game.

I can only talk from my own experience which have included Argentina and England, although I suppose the situation is pretty well the same in football all over the world.

You get young players coming to a club with perhaps one kind of skill at which they are very good at. Then the managers and coaches get hold of them and things begin to change.

I am not criticising coaching as a whole, because good coaching is essential, but I think that sometimes it would be better to leave the very young players alone. You see coaches do not like to see individual players going on mazy runs past three or four opponents. To them it is a team game and they demand a pass.

They instill safety first methods into the players at a young age so how do you expect them to play adventurously? The rule is: When in doubt kick it out, which is fine for the senior players but I do not think it should be drilled into the youngsters.

At that age players should be encouraged to overcome situations with skilful football. The tactical awareness can be introduced later.

I am not suggesting that only beauty in football is skill and skill alone, and that the game is just about players like Glenn Hoddle who always try to play the ball. Football is about everything. Skill, endeavour, power, strength and running. But I believe that skills should be mastered first, because there is some bad football played, both here and in Argentina.



OUR STANDARDS

CENTRESPOT' continues its investigation into the state of English football with a look at Fred Ford, the man responsible for one of the most productive Youth team schemes in the Football League — story by Colin Benson.

In a society where we are continually pleading poverty and lack of facilities for our sportsmen and sportswomen, it comes as quite a surprise to hear an expert declare that the standard in his particular field has declined because the facilities are too good.

In some instances such a remark would be treated with disdain, but when it is made by such an authority as Fred Ford, then you sit up and take notice.

Fred Ford might not be a household name amongst soccer fans these days — he played in the First Division before the war — but within the game itself he is a most respected figure. Fred is responsible for Oxford United's Youth policy which can justly claim to be the most successful in the Football League. No less than 16 players from that scheme appeared in the League side last season and ten of them made 15 or more league appearances.

Two of them, Hugh McGrogan and 19 year old England Youth international left-back Gary Watson, were sold to Carlisle United for £40,000. Not because Oxford United manager Bill Asprey wanted to get rid of them, but because on gates of 4,000 it is an economical necessity for the club to sell.

Oxford still hold a trump card in 17 year old Kevin Brock, who two years ago was still at school. The lad has already turned down one move which could have netted Oxford £200,000 and no doubt that price tag is increasing as he gains in experience.

Anyway, Fred Ford has proved himself a master at creating professional players out of raw youth and that is not bad when you are working for an unfashionable outfit like Oxford United and you are competing with Manchester United, Tottenham, Ipswich and the rest of the 92 League clubs.



FRED FORD



KEVIN BROCK

Fred Ford is now 63. As a player he performed for Charlton Athletic, Millwall and Carlisle before becoming the trainer coach at Bristol Rovers, in the no buy no sell era of the early fifties.

While at Eastville, Fred also trained the England Under 23 side with Walter Winterbottom and Ron Greenwood.

He later became manager of Bristol City, a position he held for seven years. City gained promotion to Division Two and then he was sacked.

The next move was to Swindon Town as coach. Fred later returned to Bristol to manager Rovers then moved back to Swindon as manager where he was again fired, after three years.

Eight years ago he joined Oxford United to start the work he has proved so good at. Finding and developing young players. To him youth is the most important ingredient of any club because after all it is the clubs future.

He has always maintained: "The best coach in the club should be in charge of the kids not the first team. This is a fact that is becoming more apparent."

EXCEPTIONS

"I don't think you can produce them to attain a level higher than the Third Division on the whole," says Ford, who at 63 is a father, uncle, advisor and friend to the young charges under his control.

"You get the odd exception like Kevin Brock, but the majority of lads have made the grade because we have had them from the age of 14 and we have made them into more dedicated athletes.

"When you are looking for a youngster to develop, you look for the same things you would look for at the top level. They don't have to be born footballers, they might just be enthusiastic hard working kids.

"There is no common denominator. A centre-half could be like Larry Lloyd or he might just be a small lad with ability. There is nothing specific, you just look for something that can fit into a team,

S HAVE DROPPED

"There are no all round footballers anymore."

"The natural training grounds for professional footballers have just gone out of the window."

because there are no all-round footballers anymore. The Raich Carters of this world are very few and far between.

"One of the main reasons for this, is that the kids today have far too good facilities. At school they have playing fields which give them a lot of space and consequently lots of time to control the ball. This is no good for professional football because professional football is all about space related to time and quick thinking and reactions.

"As soon as they finished with playgrounds and went onto the playing fields and played eleven-a-side on full size pitches our standards dropped.

CHANGES

"For kids of eleven, twelve and thirteen years of age there is too much space. Too much time to stay on the ball, too much time to think and dwell on the ball. The natural training ground for a professional footballer — the streets and twenty-a-side games, have just gone out of the window.

"So many things have changed. The kids have other interests now, like television. They can't run to school with a ball at their feet like we used to because it is too dangerous, or they travel by bus. I used to sleep with a tennis ball under my pillow, but we have got kids at our ground who have never played football with a tennis ball.

"You don't see them playing with rubber balls either. We used to play with a small rubber ball, the size of a golf ball. They were lively, bouncy, hard to control, but they helped us develop our skills.

"They don't do that anymore, the kids haven't got the skills today. Oh yes the game is so much faster now, but that does not mean it is better, the individual skill factor is certainly missing."

When the school leaving age was upped a year, it made the job of people like Fred Ford even more difficult as he explains:

"We now get them a year later which means a year less to work on them and introduce them to full-time training and professional coaching methods. It also means that their progress into first team football is twelve months behind.

TURN OVER

"They leave school at 16 now, usually in the summer. In some cases a boy will be 17 by the Christmas and as the rules stand we have to make a decision as to whether they will make a professional player or not, by the time they are 17 years and 9 months old.

"Unless you do it like we have, and that is to specialise with a group of 14 year old schoolboys and follow them through, there is no chance.

"It is turn them over, turn them over, turn them over, that's what it is," says Fred, making it sound a bit like a factory work bench. Of course nothing could be further from the truth, as Fred loves his kids and they know it.

"I never sack a kid within a year," he boasts proudly. "Mind you I don't play them if they are not playing well, but I never kick a boy out during a season. I promise them that when I sign them on.

"I tell them that at the end of the season most of them will get kicked out. Some will be too old, some won't be good enough and some will wilt because when I give them responsibility, they won't be able to handle it.

"But I say to them that if they have not been selected for three consecutive games, then they can leave the club if they wish."

A broad smile fills Fred's face as he adds; "no one ever asks to leave."

Oxford United have literally existed on their youth policy, producing players to keep them in the Third Division and the odd

one or two super boys who have departed for big money and so kept the club financially solvent.

Club manager Bill Asprey admits, "it is our life-line," but can a club look to a progressive future with such a policy?

"Time will tell," submits Asprey. "Kids can look like they are going to become terrific players but then their development is another thing. So often they do not reach their potential and to develop a group of them from the same youth team and expect them to collectively mature to League standards is most unlikely."

Fred Ford agrees that there is a limit to the clubs aspirations. "A boy can enter the First Division through Oxford United if he wishes and he is good enough," he says, "although I don't push that too much. Really we are hoping to get a good team together that will get us back into the Second Division. That is about our whack."

At the moment Oxford field five players in their regular line-up, who graduated through Mr. Ford. They are Billy Jeffrey, Kevin Brock, Les Taylor, Peter Foley and Jason Seacole. In addition, Andy Kingston and 18 year old Mark Jones are waiting to stake their claims.

There is no doubt that Oxford United's youth policy which was inaugurated by Gerry Summers — now with Gillingham — some seven years ago has proved productive.

"I might have had a lot of luck and I might have had a lot of good kids in that period," concludes Ford. "It might all dry up, who knows. But I will tell you what you have got to be, to work for a club like Oxford. You have got to be a very good loser, because you never win anything. But I enjoy every minute of it."



A TEST FOR EVERYTHING

BY JOHN NOLAN



Laurie Cunningham in the England shirt he so desperately wants back.

When it comes to thoroughness in looking after the welfare of our players, English League clubs could well learn a lesson or two from their Spanish counterparts.

I met Laurie Cunningham recently; that gifted forward who is now earning a fortune with Spain's most famous club, Real Madrid.

The former London schoolboy is enjoying life enormously, especially as he has now mastered the language. But although the rewards are massive, his Spanish masters ensure they get their pound of flesh.

"We have very hard and strict training sessions," says Laurie. "They do not miss a trick. We have our weight taken, our hearts and everything else tested every week.

"There is even a psychology test to see if we have any problems or anxieties or things that we might like to talk out.

"They literally test us for everything and it is not a bad thing, because outside pressures can affect a

players performance on the field.

HUMAN

"A lot of people don't really understand that players out there are human beings with emotions and feelings. They will be derogatory to a player who is having a bad time, and who knows? He could well be under severe pressure from home or have financial worries. Anything like that could upset a player and cause him to have a bad game.

"Well at Real Madrid the club try to eradicate any such problems and the psychology test is designed to make sure that we have not got any hang-ups when we go out to play."

Mind you there is no kid glove treatment when it comes to training and Real Madrid's vigorous programme would make many a British player weak at the knees.

"Yes it really is tough," confirms Cunningham. "It is much hotter for a start which makes it tough physically and we train twice a day. Once in the morning at 10.00 a.m. and again in the evening at 7.00 p.m. And I can tell you it is quite a hectic thing up till Thursday, when we have just a bath and a massage and the rest of the day off.

"Friday is just short sprints followed by a five-a-side game and that is it before the match. The preparation is the same whether we are home or away.

TECHNICAL

"That first session lasts for two and a half hours and although we do a lot of running, most of the work is done with a ball. Then we have body stamina exercises and general physical fitness routines. It is varied and very good.

"The evening session is more technical. We will play a match and discuss things. The manager might throw in some new ideas, they might even be your ideas, and we will try them out and see if they work in practice."

Does the former West Bromwich Albion star feel that the Spanish methods are more advanced than here?

"Yes I think so. For instance if a player has a point of view about something we will all get involved in the discussion exchanging our varied views. This is like a therapy, it helps bond us together as people off the field and of course that makes for better understanding on the field. From my experiences at English clubs there is a tendency to get the captain or one or two players talking, but hardly ever the whole team.

SIMPLICITY

"The training methods and preparation in Spain are much better than here, although I am not too sure that many English players could adjust to it like I did. You see I love training anyway. It is very tough and

hard on the mental approach.

"But there is no doubt we definitely do not spend enough time on skills in English football. It is all the simple pass, the simple pass. They don't seem to realise that the more accomplished you become, the better you are at doing the simple pass.

"The more technical coaching you have the more skill you develop and things then become far easier to execute and the simple things become natural.

"Take the West Germans. To me they have the best all-round football at the present time. They have skill, flair and strength. Their technical skill is superb, yet they play it simple and that is why they make the game look easy.

"There are very talented players in England, people like Glenn Hoddle and Graham Rix, but overall we don't work hard enough to develop players."

Cunningham is now enjoying his best ever spell with Real Madrid who won everything last season. "I have no problems now," he confirms. "I can speak the language and everything just seems to be falling into place. The whole environment out there is a complete reverse of the English way of life and that applies to their football as well. But I have adjusted and I think that my game has improved a hundred per cent since I moved."

Now Laurie's hope is to regain his place in Ron Greenwood's England side.

Bill Robertson continues his advice for those who are thinking of taking up the game of golf.

SO YOU WANT TO PLAY GOLF

Part two



You can start to play without coaching from anyone, simply by watching the top players on TV and then going out and trying to copy them. The human body is an incredible piece of engineering and infinitely adaptable. Given time, it will be able to devise some form of muscular dexterity that will enable you to make contact with the ball more often than you miss it. But unless you are particularly gifted in muscular dexterity it will be a long and often painful process. Ben Hogan, one of the greatest golfers of all time has this to say to would-be golfers in the introduction of his book 'Power Golf'.

"Contrary to anything you may have read on the subject, there is no such individual as a born golfer. Some have more natural ability than others, but they've all been made. When you grip a golf club to take your first swing at a golf ball every natural instinct you have to accomplish that objective is wrong, absolutely wrong."

"Reverse every natural instinct you have and do just the opposite of what you are inclined to do and you will probably come very close to having a perfect swing. However every golfer, even the so-called "natural player", learns the hard way. Some are just a little more fortunate than others in being able to learn a little quicker, that's all."

CLASSES FOR BEGINNERS

Still keen to learn? Then save yourself hours of anguish and frustration by booking a series of lessons with a golf professional. You don't have to be a member of a club, just drop in to your local club or ring up and ask to speak to the professional. If you don't want to start off with individual lessons most professionals run classes for beginners either at the club or, during the winter months, at a local school or sport centres. In most cases clubs are provided and if you decide that golf's the game for you then the professional will be glad to advise you about what to buy and how to get the best value.

Golf is a game of 'good habits' and the professional can teach you these in simple terms without burying you under a mountain of technical jargon. He can provide a sound foundation to build your swing on and from this foundation comes confidence, a key factor in the learning process.

For any youngster with ambitions to become a top

class golfer, professional instruction is a must. Most children learn by copying and are usually introduced to the game by caddying for dad. Unfortunately copying father's swing usually does more harm than good and the youngster ends up inheriting the parent's slice or hook. Children learn very quickly and given expert tuition can make dramatic progress in a comparatively short time. This is something I discovered when I visited the Golf Illustrated Summer School of Golf, last year. The youngsters spend a week at Stowe School in Buckinghamshire during which time they received intensive tuition under a team of P.G.A. qualified instructors. They had group and individual lessons every day and by the end of the week their standard of play had improved dramatically.

Learning how to play by reading instruction books can work for some but in most cases, unless the reader has a basic knowledge of the fundamentals, it can do more harm than good. I would advise beginners to start off by learning the basics of the game through lessons with a qualified instructor before delving into the hundreds of books that are available. There is something else you should consider before you take the plunge and that is exactly what you want from the game.

If you want to become a superstar in your spare time, forget it. To reach the top as a tournament player takes determination, total commitment, single-mindedness and the dedication to spend countless hours on the practice tee working on your swing. Not to mention more than a fair amount of talent.

Tournament professionals don't play for fun, they play for a living. A few of them make a very good living but for the vast majority it's often a struggle to make ends meet.

TAKE HEART

But beginners take heart. You don't need the determination of Jack Nicklaus or the talent of Seve Ballesteros to derive a tremendous amount of fun and enjoyment from the game of golf. In the words of the late David Lloyd George; "Golf is the only game where the worst player gets the best of it. He obtains more out of it as regards exercise and enjoyment, for the good player gets worried over the slightest mistake, whereas the poor player makes too many mistakes to worry over them."

SHADES OF ROME

"I couldn't put into words how this has hurt me," said Bill McGarry after Newcastle United had clinically axed him from their pay roll.

In a game where results are the ultimate criteria, it is inevitable that the manager's chair will remain the most uncertain seat in football, but even so some sackings still come as comparative shocks.

Not least, was the departure from Ashton Gate of Alan Dicks who had been in control of Bristol City since October 1967 and was the longest serving one-club manager in the League.

Dicks, now 47, was the victim of a disappointing year of results and although shocked by his Board's decision to move him upstairs, understands the influences that have contributed to his situation.

"I felt the pressure and I think so has the Chairman and the Board of Directors," he says: "I think it is the pressure that ultimately puts it into the minds of directors, that they must change it. I think they get so much stick from their local

friends off the pitch that they tend to take notice of it."

The Bristol City boss had been the target for many disgruntled fans for some time. "The community in Bristol were demanding success," says Dicks. "People have a lot of leisure time now. They experience frustration themselves, from lack of employment and everything else. And of course they always come down to the stadium, which is as near as you will get to the old gladiator days — where they can shout and scream and let off some tension.

"Of course if we are winning that's okay. But if like us, it has been a bad year then they will let their frustrations be known.

"It is disappointing, but it is all part of the game."

That last sentence sums it all up. For McGarry and Dicks — 29 years in football — other doors will open. But for less well known managers who bite the dust the future is dim.

ON RECORD

ROBIN KATZ REVIEWS THE LATEST ALBUMS

'PEARLS SONGS OF GOFFIN AND KING' Carole King (Capitol). Carole King celebrates two decades of songwriting by singing credible new arrangements of some of her old classics like 'The Locomotion', 'Oh No Not My Baby' and Beatles favourite 'Chains'. Best track is a brand new Goffin and King goodie, 'Dancin' With Tears In My Eyes'.

'HEAD ON' Samson (Gem). This new addition to the heavy metal boom appears on the film screen in a short that's on with

'Breaking Glass'. The album is a strong collection of hard rockers like 'Hard Times' and 'Thunderburst'.

'ONE TRICK PONY' Paul Simon (Warners). From an upcoming film featuring the onetime half of Simon and Garfunkel. Hard to believe it's been five years since his last effort 'Still Crazy After All These Years'. Few musical changes present. The usual mix of self doubting ballads and latin tinged stories about running the New York streets. Dull at times.



Ian Robins (grounded) flashes home a header for Huddersfield Town's 100th goal of last season.

Huddersfield and Portsmouth, promoted from the Fourth Division this season, hope to emulate Grimsby, Watford, Swansea and Cambridge, in making a speedy climb through the Third in the bid to bring back the glory days. Huddersfield won promotion in style, scoring 101 goals. Portsmouth opened last season with heavy scoring, faltered and eventually scraped into fourth position by goal advantage over Bradford City.

These famous clubs have a sound backbone of experienced players: Huddersfield, Micky Laverick, much-travelled Steve Kindon and Andy Rankin, and Portsmouth, Welsh international Derek Showers, David Gregory and goalkeeper Peter Mellor.

In the Football League it is much harder to climb than to fall. Brentford have been in the lower regions since being relegated from the Second Division in 1954. Blackpool, FA Cup giants in the Stan Matthews — Stan Mortensen era, dropped into the Third Division for the first time last season and nearly fell through to the Fourth.

Aston Villa and "Proud" Preston, the first two

clubs to perform the Cup and League double, were relegated together for the first time in 1970.

Preston bounded straight back but were relegated again before regaining Second Division status. It took Villa two seasons to win promotion and they are now once more among the leading clubs in the country.

FEARS

Slipping down the League hit Portsmouth and Huddersfield very hard financially. There were fears that Portsmouth might be bankrupt and a decade ago they temporarily reduced the staff to merely the first team squad. One of the teenagers they lost as a result was Mick Mills, who went to Ipswich.

Huddersfield's plight was not as critical as in 1919 when they owed £40,000 and a move, lock, stock and barrell, to Leeds was imminent. But the town rallied to help, the crisis was averted and the team took such heart that they won promotion and reached the Cup final.

Their finest period was in 1923-6 when they accomplished a Championship hat-trick. the team was studded with internationals, the most famous

A tradition to MAINTAIN

being "Flying Scotsman" Alex Jackson. They won the Cup in 1922, beating Aston Villa from a penalty scored by Billy Smith in the last minute. In 1938 they were beaten in the final by Preston — from a last-minute penalty scored by George Mutch.

Their financial difficulties since the war led to selling one of their finest products — Denis Law to Manchester City for £55,000 — and allowing manager Bill Shankly to go to Liverpool.

THE FIRST

Portsmouth, the first club to climb out of the Third Division to win the Championship and the Cup, had their best side when they won the Championship in 1949 and 1950. They had a magnificent half-back in Jimmy Scoular, Reg Flewin and Jimmy Dickinson. Dickinson won 48 England caps, made 764 League appearances and is still with the club as chief executive.

Portsmouth won the Cup in 1939 in a most sensational upset of form. Opponents Wolves, captained by Stan Cullis and managed by Frank Buckley, were hot favourites, but the nerves of their young players broke and they were trounced 4-1.

It was said that Pompey had fortune on their side because manager Jack Tinn had lucky spats fastened on his boots by winger Frank Worrall before all Cup ties. Worrall did not like the task, but he did not flaunt fate — he played in the final with a lucky sixpence in a boot and a miniature horse-shoe in his pocket.

Huddersfield and Portsmouth need fortune in their bid to reach the heights again. And good players. Huddersfield have a tradition for producing backs from Goodall and Wadsworth to Wilson, McNab, Parkin, Cattlin and Cherry. Portsmouth's speciality is half-backs. So both clubs have fine examples to inspire them.

BY BERNARD JOY



Mick Mills — Portsmouth's loss was Ipswich Town's gain.

BENNO

Colin Benson's world of soccer

The answer to footballs biggest problem — hooliganism — is to have all seater stadiums. That was the adamant view of Malcolm Macdonald, talking on BBC Radio's 'Sunday Sport'.

The former Fulham, Luton, Newcastle, Arsenal and England striker who is now the Marketing Director for Fulham F.C., said that clubs would not like the idea, but it would prove a complete answer.

Macdonald had watched Chelsea's win at Cambridge and explained that the atmosphere around the ground had been hostile, with bands of Chelsea supporters wearing Cambridge colours so that they could infiltrate the enemy camp.

One major incident Mr. Macdonald failed to mention however, was a fight which erupted in the stand, just 50 yds from the press box. A sixty year old man who asked two Chelsea louts to refine their language was brutally butted in the face by the bullies and had to be escorted out with blood streaming from his face.

It has been proved time and again that sitting people down will not solve this disease. Remember the disgraceful riot in Paris, when monsters parading as Leeds United supporters ripped the seats out and used them as ammunition. I tell you that was far more frightening than seeing them tear each other apart behind a wire fence at the other end of the ground.

The influx of Yugoslavian players into the Football

League — there are now eleven — has caused all sorts of headaches in commentary boxes up and down the country.

But the resolute British fans, never slow to come up with an answer, have found the tongue-twisters no problem. Down in South Wales for instance the Vetch Field regulars, who have the unpronounceable Dzemat Hadziabdic in their team, have just simply re-named him Jimmy Habdab.

Meanwhile at Wolverhampton the kop have nicknamed their Urugayan star, Rafael Villazan, "Phylosan".

You have no doubt heard the joke that is currently going the rounds, from Terry Venables quiz book? When is a goal not a goal? When it goes into the net.



JUNIOR QUIZ TIME

1. Name the England team that kicked off against Norway at Wembley?
2. What was the score?
3. Who were the scorers?
4. Which other nations are in England's World Cup qualifying group?
5. Two England players gained their first caps against Norway. Name them?
6. Can you name the manager of Norway?
7. Scotland won their opening game. Against who and what was the score?
8. Of current England international choices,

who has scored the most goals for his country?

9. How many full-caps has Peter Shilton won?
10. The Republic of Ireland took on Holland in Dublin recently. What was the result?

FUN SPOT

Can you unravel a famous England players name from this?

GRONOVBERTIKR

Junior quiz answers — 1. Shilton; Anderson, Sansom; Thompson, Watson, Robson; Gates, McDermott, Mariner, Woodcock, Rix. 2. England won 4-0. 3. McDermott 2, Woodcock, Mariner. 4. Hungary, Switzerland and Rumania. 5. Gates and Rix. 6. Tor Rostie Fossen. 7. Sweden 1-0. 8. Keegan 19. 9. 32. 10. Eire won 2-1.

FUN SPOT — Trevor Brooking

BOLTON RECORD

Part 31 — Season 1922/23

FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Division One	Home	Away
Arsenal	4-1	0-5
Aston Villa	3-0	0-2
Birmingham	3-0	0-2
Blackburn	3-0	0-1
Burnley	2-1	1-2
Cardiff	0-0	0-1
Chelsea	1-1	0-3
Everton	0-2	1-1
Huddersfield	1-0	2-0
Liverpool	1-1	0-3
Manchester City	2-1	0-2
Middlesbrough	1-1	2-1
Newcastle	1-0	0-1
Nottingham Forest	4-2	1-1
Oldham	3-1	1-3
Preston	1-1	1-3
Sheffield United	1-1	2-2
Stoke	1-1	0-2
Sunderland	1-1	1-5
Tottenham	0-2	1-0
W. B. A.	3-0	1-1

Football League appearances:

Buchan, T. M.	9	Butler, W.	30
Chambers, F.	2	Crewe W.	4
Finney, A.	26	Flood, C. W.	8
Howarth, N.	2	Howarth, R.	30
Jack, D. B. N.	41	Jennings, W.	33
Johnston	1	Jones, J. L. M.	7
Longworth, R.	5	Lowe, J.	1
Matthews, V.	2	Newnes, J.	8
Nuttall, H.	20	Pym, R. H.	42
Roberts, E.	1	Roberts, F.	8
Rowley, W. J.	33	Seddon, J.	16
Simpson, H.	5	Smith, C.	4
Smith, Joseph	37	Smith, J. R.	22
Thirkell, P.	14	Vizard, E. T.	38
Walsh, T.	7	Wright, W. R.	6

F.A. CUP

Rd. 1 — Norwich (a)	2-0
Rd. 2 — Leeds Utd. (h)	3-1
Rd. 3 — Huddersfield (a)	1-1
(h)	1-0
Rd. 4 — Charlton (a)	1-0
S.F. — Sheffield Utd	
(at Old Trafford)	1-0
Final — West Ham	2-0

League goalscorers:

Smith, J.	17	Jack	11
Smith, J. R.	7	Walsh	3
Butler	2	Flood	2
Vizard	2	Jones	2
Roberts, F.	1	Rowley	1
Buchan	1	Jennings	1

DIVISION 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
LIVERPOOL	42	26	8	8	70	31	60
SUNDERLAND	42	22	10	10	72	54	54
HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	42	21	11	10	60	32	53
NEWCASTLE UTD.	42	18	12	12	45	37	48
EVERTON	42	20	7	15	63	59	47
ASTON VILLA	42	18	10	14	64	51	46
WEST BROM. ALBION	42	17	11	14	58	49	45
MANCHESTER CITY	42	17	11	14	50	49	45
CARDIFF CITY	42	18	7	17	73	59	43
SHEFFIELD UNITED	42	16	10	16	68	64	42
ARSENAL	42	16	10	16	61	62	42
TOTTENHAM H.	42	17	7	18	50	50	41
BOLTON WANDERERS	42	14	12	16	50	58	40
BLACKBURN ROVERS	42	14	12	16	47	62	40
BURNLEY	42	16	6	20	58	59	38
PRESTON NORTH END	42	13	11	18	60	64	37
BIRMINGHAM	42	13	11	18	41	57	37
MIDDLESBROUGH	42	13	10	19	57	63	36
CHELSEA	42	9	18	15	45	53	36
NOTTINGHAM FOREST	42	13	8	21	41	70	34
STOKE	42	10	10	22	47	67	30
OLDHAM ATHLETIC	42	10	10	22	35	65	30

ACTION

QPR v BOLTON

A. Mike Carter's shot beats the QPR 'Keeper, but goes over the top.
B. Brian Kidd challenges for the ball in the QPR penalty area.
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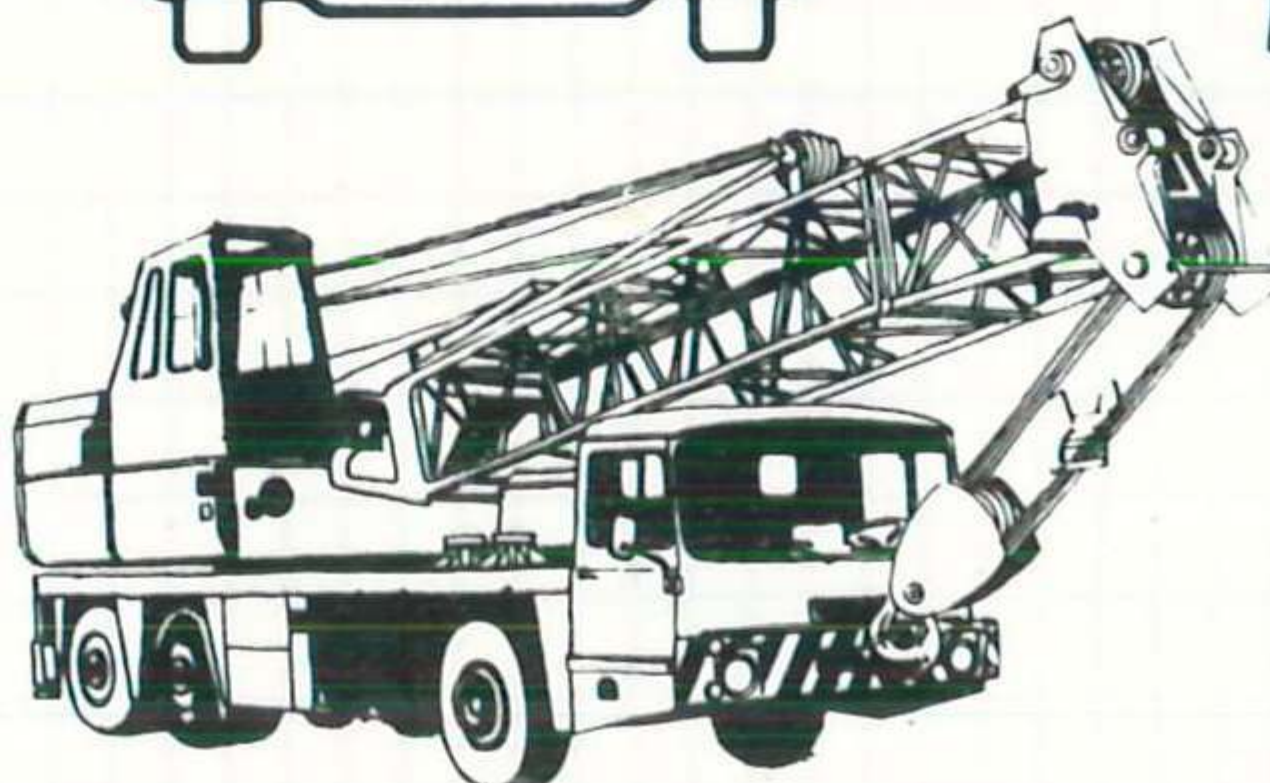
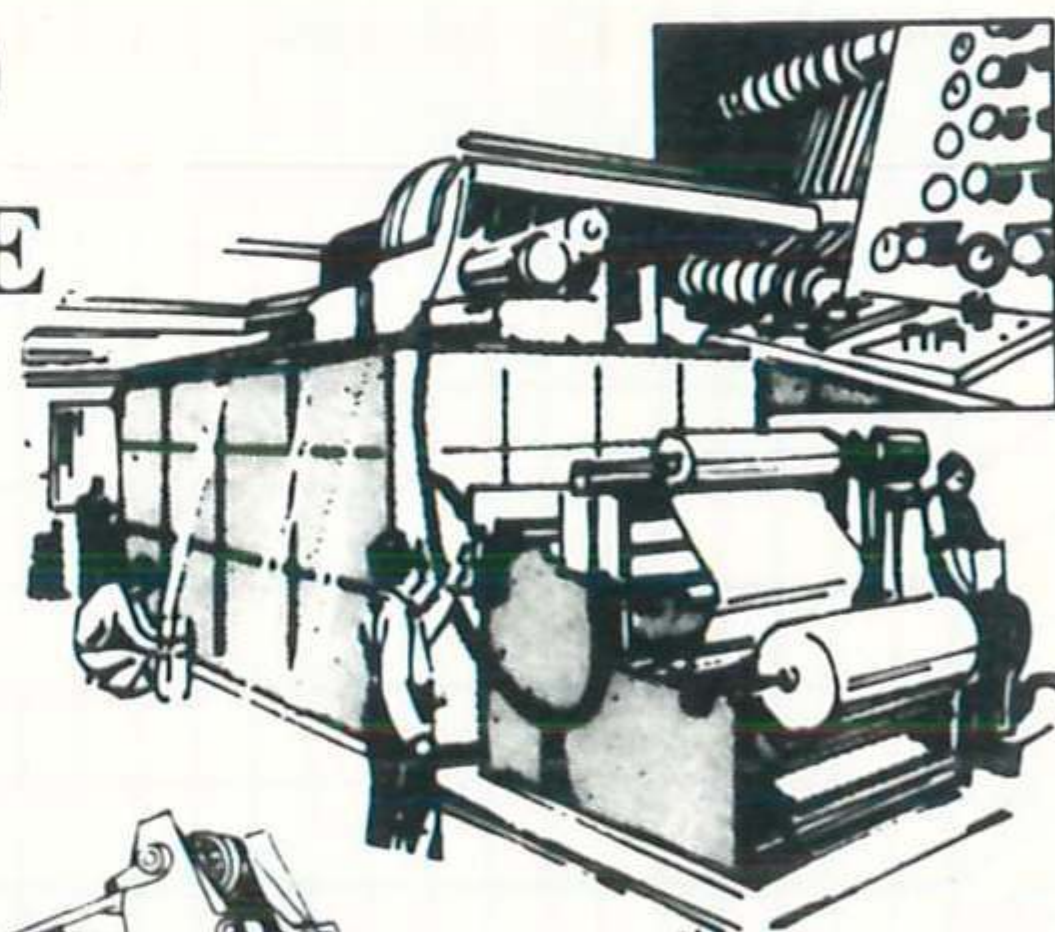
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Dave Burke beats two QPR defenders' to the ball.



Facts & Figures 1980-81

HOME GAMES IN CAPITALS

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(Up to, and including Saturday 11th October 1980)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
West Ham United	11	5	0	1	14	4	2	3	0	4	2	17
Notts County	11	5	1	0	13	5	2	2	1	4	6	17
Blackburn Rovers	11	5	0	0	10	1	2	2	2	7	8	16
Sheffield Wednesday	11	6	0	0	12	2	1	1	3	4	9	15
Swansea City	11	3	2	1	12	7	2	2	1	7	4	14
Chelsea	11	2	3	1	9	5	3	1	1	11	9	14
Orient	11	4	1	0	11	1	1	2	3	7	11	13
Derby County	11	3	1	1	9	6	2	1	3	5	9	12
Newcastle United	11	2	3	0	5	3	2	1	3	5	11	12
Cambridge United	11	4	0	2	11	5	1	1	3	3	8	11
Oldham Athletic	11	3	2	0	6	1	0	2	4	3	10	10
Queens Park Rangers	11	3	2	1	12	3	0	1	4	3	7	9
Bolton Wanderers	11	2	1	2	9	7	1	2	3	6	9	9
Wrexham	11	2	1	2	7	6	1	2	3	4	6	9
Watford	11	4	1	1	9	6	0	0	5	4	10	9
Cardiff City	11	3	1	1	9	6	1	0	5	4	11	9
Preston North End	11	2	3	1	6	4	0	2	3	2	10	9
Grimsby Town	11	2	2	1	2	1	0	3	3	3	10	9
Luton Town	11	2	1	2	5	5	1	1	4	4	9	8
Shrewsbury Town	11	2	2	2	9	9	0	2	3	1	7	8
Bristol City	11	2	2	2	5	4	0	1	4	2	9	7
Bristol Rovers	11	0	4	1	3	4	0	1	5	2	13	5

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A married man, with two children, he is a Police Road Safety Officer in Co. Durham police force. Played football for a Northumberland County side and was a qualified Physical Training Instructor in the Royal Horse Guards. Enjoys most sports, particularly swimming and golf. Is a qualified life-guard and was also an amateur for Newcastle United.

1980-81		CENTRAL LEAGUE	F	A
Aug.	16	SHEFFIELD WED.	1	2
	20	Manchester United	1	2
	27			
	30	Coventry City	1	3
Sept.	3			
	13	Manchester City	1	6
	20	Bury	1	0
	24			
	27	NOTTINGHAM F.	0	3
	4	Liverpool	2	2
	7	LEEDS UNITED	1	0
	11	WEST BROM A.	1	1
	14	STOKE CITY		
	18	Preston N.E.		
	25	HUDDERSFIELD T.		
	29	Blackpool		
	8	BURNLEY		
Nov.	11	MANCHESTER UNITED		
	15	Sheffield W.		
	22	Aston Villa		
	24	Derby County		
	29	WOLVERHAMPTON W.		
	2	Sheffield United		
Dec.	9	NEWCASTLE UNITED		
	13	BLACKPOOL		
	20	Leeds United		
	23	DERBY COUNTY		
	27	Everton		

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- 2 Peter Nicholson
- 3 Dave Burke
- 4 Len Cantello
- 5 Paul Jones
- 6 Mike Walsh
- 7 Phil Wilson
- 8 Neil Whatmore
- 9 Alan Gowling
- 10 Brian Kidd
- 11 Mike Carter
- 12



- 1 Roy Tunks
- 2 Donald O'Riordan
- 3 Danny Cameron
- 4 Francis Burns
- 5 Mick Baxter
- 6 John Blackley
- 7 Steve Doyle
- 8 Gordon Coleman
- 9 Steve Elliott
- 10 Alex Bruce
- 11 Paul McGee
- 12

Preston North End

Referee:

P. N. Willis (Meadowfield Co. Durham)

Linesmen:

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